SI. No.	Name of State/ UTs	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
	"Uttar Pradesh	2065.48	2529.94	3377.40
27.	West Bengal	1744.02	1731.33	2081.68
28.	BRDB NHAI	0.00	0.00	0.00
29.		0.00	0.00	70.00
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	TOTAL;	24690.00	28443.96	37200.00

Problems of shipment at Kutch Port

1683. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bentonite, salt Bauxite and other basic minerals produced in Kutch region of Gujarat are being acipted for the last 25 years earning forcing exchange,

(b) whether the exporters of these minerals find it very difficult in the shipment of their commodities from Kutch port and their shipment lie at the port fo; a long time

(c) whether the exporters have demanded a separate berth for storing and shipment of their commodities at the port for easy handling and quick shipment; and

(d) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken in order to mitigate their grievances?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Although the Traders have demanded to provide one berth exclusively for the shipment of these minerals at Kandla but keeping in view the available infrastructure facilities, it is not possible to provide this facility as the demand from other export commodities is of a much larger extent. Maritime State Development Council

1684. SHRI BANGARU LAXMAN: SHRI ANANTRAY DEV-SHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have constituted a Maritime State Development Council for making coordinated approach for the development of major and minor ports in the country recently;

(b) if so, the details of its constitution and terms of reference;

(c) whether any time limit has been fixed by Government for giving its recommendations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details attached (See *below)*

(c) and (d) It is a Standing Council for making recommendations from time to time.

Consitution of Martime States Development Council

(i)	Minister for Surface Transport, Govt, of India.	Chairman
(ii)	Ministers incharge of Ports in States of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamilnadu, Pondicherry, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and West Bengal.	Members
(iii)	Secretary, Ministry of Surface Transport	Member
(iv)	Development Adviser (Ports)	Member
(v)	Joint Secretary (Ports)	Member-Secretary

The Terms of Reference are as under:—